

Yellow Creek Valley Groundwater Basin

- Groundwater Basin Number: 5-56
- County: Plumas
- Surface Area: 2,310 acres (4 square miles)

Basin Boundaries and Hydrology

The Yellow Creek Groundwater Basin is located to the southwest of Lake Almanor and consists of Quaternary alluvium. The valley is drained to the south by Yellow Creek. The valley is bounded to the east by Mesozoic and Paleozoic marine sediments, bounded to the north and west by Tertiary volcanic rocks, and to the south by Recent volcanic and Paleozoic marine sediments (Lydon 1960). Annual precipitation ranges from 39- to 43-inches.

Hydrogeologic Information

Hydrogeologic information was not available for the following:

Water-Bearing Formations

Groundwater Level Trends

Groundwater Budget

Groundwater Quality

Well Characteristics

Well yields (gal/min)		
Irrigation	NKD	
Total depths (ft)		
Domestic	Range: 75 – 120	Average: 98 (2 Well Completion Reports)
Irrigation	Range: NKD	

NKD – No Known Data

Active Monitoring Data

Agency	Parameter	Number of wells /measurement frequency
	Groundwater levels	NKD
	Miscellaneous water quality	NKD

NKD – No Known Data

Basin Management

Groundwater management:	No known groundwater management plans, groundwater ordinances, or basin adjudications.	
Water agencies		
Public	None	
Private	None	

Selected References

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Errata

Changes made to the basin description will be noted here.